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OBITUARY.

That chronicler the grave has marked another on its page, ABIJAH HEWITT is no more! Sudden and severe was the stroke of death, but it was met with that firmness which distinguishes the Christian; the shadows of that valley were dissipated by that light which shone in bright effulgence on the dying pillar of our brother: he was a useful and active member of society, but it has pleased Almighty goodness to call off the labourer to rest; and altho' life's beauteous column has been whelm'd in dust, and envelop'd in obscurity, yet we firmly believe, that it shall be fixed on that eternal base the rock of ages, and shine in that glorious temple of which the whole human family shall be stones fitted for the builder's use. The deceased was a trustee of the Second Independent Church of Christ, called Universalist, and he filled several public stations with honour and fidelity. May we all endeavour, by imitating his good conduct, to leave the same invaluable legacy to our children, an unsullied name and spotless reputation.

FOR THE CHRISTIAN MESSENGER.

While some adore a mystic God,
  Of three in one and one in three;
Let me but walk in reason's road,
  And own a perfect Deity.

2. If others bow before a throne,
  Upheld by stern oppression's pow'r,
'Tis mine to worship him alone,
  Whose mercy shines in ev'ry hour.

3. If many own a partial God,
  Unmindful of that boundless love;
Death and destruction, hurl abroad,
  On all *their* judgements *disapprove;*

4. Mine be the God, whose love and grace
  In genial show'rs from Heav'n descend;
Who rescues Adam's guilty race,
  Through him who is the sinner's friend;

5. Who watches with a parent's care,
  And with a bounteous hand provides;
Frees us from sin's enticing snare,
  And to the Heav'nly mansion guides.

6. To him I bow the willing knee,
  And prostrate fall before his throne;
Adore the power that makes us free,
  And worship him, and him alone.

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N. B. Several valuable communications have been received, which will be inserted in the first Number of the new publication.